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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

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January 10, 2001

Honorable Vernon A. Williams  
Secretary  
Surface Transportation Board  
Washington, DC 20423

Dear Secretary Williams:

I have enclosed the original and one certified copy of the document described below, to be recorded pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 11301.

The document is a Release of Lien, a secondary document, dated as of January 9, 2001. The primary document to which this is connected is recorded under Recordation No. 17771. We request that one copy of this document be recorded under Recordation No. 17771-B.

The name and address of the party to the Release of Lien is:

Secured Party:

Wells Fargo Bank of Texas, N.A., formerly First Interstate Bank of Texas, N.A.  
40 NE Loop 410, Suite 301  
San Antonio, TX 78216

A description of the equipment covered by the Release of Lien consists of one GP-9 locomotive numbered AUNW 174.

A fee of \$2<sup>7</sup>~~6~~.00 is enclosed. Please return the original to:

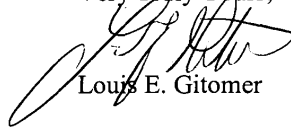
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A short summary of the document to appear in the index follows: a Release of Lien by Wells Fargo Bank of Texas, N.A., formerly First Interstate Bank of Texas, N.A., 40 NE Loop 410, Suite 301, San Antonio, TX 78216, covering one GP-9 locomotive numbered AUNW 174.

Very Truly Yours,



Louis E. Gitomer

Enclosures

## RELEASE OF LIEN

The undersigned, Wells Fargo Bank of Texas, N.A., ("Bank"), formerly First Interstate Bank of Texas, N.A., is the Secured Party described in that certain Commercial Security Agreement dated as of April 8, 1992, executed by RailTex, Inc., a Texas corporation, and recorded at the Interstate Commerce Commission, now known as the Surface Transportation Board, under Recordation Number 17771.

For good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Bank has released and discharged, and by these presents hereby terminates said Commercial Security Agreement, and releases and discharges the property described in the Attachment from all liens held by the Bank created or described in said agreement and any renewals or extensions thereof.

Executed as of January 9, 2001.

WELLS FARGO BANK OF TEXAS, N.A., formerly  
FIRST INTERSTATE BANK OF TEXAS, N.A.

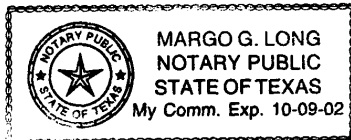
By: Anthony C. Frels  
Title: VICE PRESIDENT

State of Texas )  
County of Bexar ) ss.

On this 9th day of January, 2001, before me, Margo G. Long, the undersigned Notary Public, personally appeared Anthony C. Frels personally known to me to be the person who executed the within instrument as Vice President of Wells Fargo Bank on behalf of the corporation therein named, and acknowledged to me that the corporation executed it.

Margo G. Long  
Notary Public for TEXAS

My Commission expires 10-09-02



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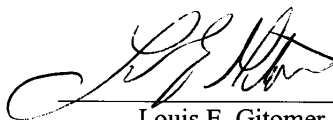


**ATTACHMENT**

One GP-9 locomotive numbered AUNW 174.

# CERTIFICATION

I, Louis E. Gitomer, have compared this copy to the original Release of Lien dated as of January 9, 2001 and found the copy to be complete and identical in all respects to the original document. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'L. E. Gitomer', is written over a horizontal line.

Louis E. Gitomer  
January 10, 2001